

**DECLARATION AND  
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FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN  
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MELANIN-CONCENTRATING HORMONE RECEPTOR

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

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Application Number PCT/US00/18733 and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

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